

THE BARTON COUNTY DEMOCRAT

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GREAT BEND, KANSAS.
City and County.

Mrs. Will Gibson is quite ill.

Mrs. John Zeller has been quite sick.

C. M. Smith is home spending the holidays.

How to make both ends meet—Tie 'em together.

Martin Musil was up from Ellinwood Friday.

George Miltimore lost a valuable colt last week.

Song of the dry goods clerk—"swinging in de-laine."

Miss Lucy Diefenbacher has returned from the east.

Mrs. M. Eppstein is still improving, and is now able to be up.

Miss Cora Patterson left Saturday afternoon for Salem, Illinois.

Col. Huttman and son drove up from Ellinwood Saturday.

Edgar Evans has gone to Mound Valley, Kas., to visit relatives.

John Bearick was in town Saturday from Bardine, Beaver township.

Dent Delaplane is in the city, from Harper county, visiting his parents.

J. R. Harris, of Eureka township, was in Friday buying holiday presents.

Rev. Taylor, from the north part of the county was in the city Saturday.

Miss Cora Paxton is visiting her parents and friends in Stafford county.

S. S. Shattuck and Joe Meeker were down from Homestead township, Friday.

Jim Barngrover, of Lyons, was in the city shaking hands with old friends Friday.

S. S. Hart, of Liberty township, is the father of a twelve pound, brand new boy.

W. B. Lucas, one of Barton's educators, is in the city to spend the holidays.

Ed. Tyler is still looking for his greyhound and will pay a \$10 for his recovery.

Miss May Schneider left Friday for her home in Ellinwood, to spend the holidays.

"Uncle Joe" says: Never put off 'till to-morrow what your mother can do to-day.

T. T. Lyons was in the city Friday distributing a broad and genial smile on all he met.

Jake Diehl was in from the northern part of the county, buying holiday presents Saturday.

Mr. John Rogers and daughter were in from South Bend, attending the Uncle Tom's Cabin show.

Morgan Caraway was up in Union township Thursday and says wheat and cattle are looking fine.

W. H. Reed, of Ringgold county, Iowa, is in the city visiting friends and looking the county over.

A marriage license was granted to Mr. Will Doran, of Great Bend, and Miss Lillie Suiter, of Ellinwood.

Dr. Hudson & Dr. White have formed a partnership, with their headquarters at Dr. White's old office.

W. W. Sowards, of Union township, was in the city Friday, on business and swapping yarns with Fred Vollmer.

W. R. Atkins, late of Tennessee, and an old time resident of Kansas, has sold his entire interest in the city of Great Bend, to O. B. Wilson.

Morill Norton, of Foreman & Norton, provision merchants at Coolidge, Kas., came down Friday to spend the holidays with his sisters.

Mrs. W. W. P. Clement and daughter Jessie came in Saturday from Battle Creek, Michigan. They left Birch at sanitarium there, to be doctored. He is improving.

At the meeting of A. F. & A. M. Friday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: O. J. Richards, W. M.; E. C. Cole, S. W.; A. C. Fair, J. W.; M. Caraway, secretary; G. H. Young, treasurer.

We omitted to mention the election of officers of the M. A. A. N. club, at their last meeting, which is as follows: H. B. Torrey, president; A. W. Culver, vice president; Miss Hattie Culver, secretary; Miss Madge Smith, treasurer.

T. J. Johnson, of New Harmony, Ind., was in town Saturday "viewing the landscape o'er." He is on his way to the Indian territory, having been on a tour of inspection through Colorado. Mr. Johnson was, for a number of years, civil engineer of his county in Indiana, and he says, from what he has seen of Barton county he believes it one of the finest in the state.

Christmas day could hardly have been more lovely.

Rev. Enyeart expects to be home the first week in January.

Stick to the promises you have just made and they will stick to you.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterett will spend a few days in Albert, with friends.

Commissioner Carney is now known as "the luckiest man in the valley."

Quarterly meeting of the M. E. church will be held on the 14th and 15th proximo.

John Barrareas, the Missouri Pacific conductor from Hoisington, was Sundaying in the city.

R. E. Ward, who is assisting in the New York Store, at Hoisington, was down to this city Sunday.

Little Carrie Johnson, youngest daughter of G. W. Johnson, is reported quite sick with diphtheria.

O. J. Richards is attending the Masonic school of instruction, at Sterling, the first three days this week.

W. W. Janney, of Kansas City, chief of the railroad collecting department on the Santa Fe, was in the city Monday.

Mrs. F. W. Springmeyer, of Lyons, is home spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Johnson.

J. F. Rea will have charge of the Missouri Pacific station at this city, during the holiday vacation of Mr. Waynant.

M. L. Harrison, who is teaching in district No. 66, Fairview township, is in the city for the holidays, his school taking a week's vacation.

The lucky number, 801, which drew the magnificent cloak at the Famous clothing house, Christmas eve, was held by Miss Fie Diefenbacher.

Mr. Wm. Murphey was a caller at this office Friday. He, with other farmers who have the "wherewith," came in to-day to purchase holiday goods.

The masonic order will have the finest temple in Western Kansas when completed. The New York store has furnished the carpets, which are very beautiful.

Albert Kline, from Walnut Prairie, Clark county, Ills., a relative of county clerk elect Jones, is in the city on a visit. Mr. Kline is also a brother of Frank, of Clarence township.

A lady's scarf and veil were taken from the dressing room at the ball Friday night through mistake. The owners can get the same by calling at this office and describing property.

A bundle of dry goods was found in front of A. S. Allen's store Saturday evening, which the owner can have by calling at this office, describing property and paying for this notice.

Young McGinnis, who was taken to Rush county on a charge of perjury, had his preliminary trial and was bound over to the next term of the district court, his bonds being fixed at \$200, upon furnishing which he was released.

Mr. Tullis, the night agent at the Santa Fe depot, was made the happy recipient of a Christmas present in the shape of a magnificent, decorated china set, composed of one hundred pieces, the present being a token of esteem from the collectors on the eastern division of the Santa Fe.

Who weeps with you when you are sad, and laughs with you when you are glad, and smiles with you when you are mad? The editor. Who has to be kind and very wise, and never well hardly ever lies and when he does excites surprise? The editor. Who owns a heart as well as cheek, possessed of spirit proud yet meek, and lives on forty cents a week? The editor.—Robertson (Ky.) Democrat.

The Lucky Ones.

Saturday night the streets were thronged with people, and a large portion of them gathered at the different stores where the drawings and raffles were held. The first place we visited where a large and elegant toilet case was to be given to the lucky person, was at Dean & Connett's drug store. George McGinnis won the case and is the most tickled young gent in the city.

The next place was at A. S. Allen's drug store where E. R. Moses won a gold watch and Will Carney had an extra streak of good luck, winning a handsome smoking set and an elegant silver pitcher. Another raffle was held and E. R. Moses came to the front again and won a ladies' handsome work box.

From Allen's we stepped into Charley Hooper's drug store which was literally packed with people. Here Will Merritt won a beautiful toilet set, Charlie Allison and G. W. Moore, ditto; Charley Beya won the large music box and Bert Dawson carried off another handsome toilet set. At the above places the participants had plenty of sport, while they vied for the various coveted articles and the proprietors treated them to their choicest brands of cigars.

Oh, merchant, in thine hour of eco,
If on this paper you should see,
And look for something to sp-p-p
Your yearning for greenback rev.
Take our advice and be 777:
Go straightway out and advert-ise.
You'll find the project of some man,
Neglect can offer no ex-cess:
Be wise at once, prolong your d-d-a-a—
A silent business soon d-k-k-k.

A. O. U. W.

The meeting of the Ancient Order of United Workmen was largely attended Friday night, notwithstanding the various entertainments in our city. The meeting was very interesting and the lodge is perfecting arrangements for the installation of officers, which will take place about January 6th.

A Good Day.

The moderating of the weather and the approach of the holidays brought in a great number of people Saturday. You will be surprised when we tell you that by actual count, at two o'clock in the afternoon, there were to be seen 265 teams on the streets. There are few towns along the Santa Fe road of the age of this city, which have a more thickly settled territory tributary to them than has Great Bend, as the appearance of our streets to-day will demonstrate.

The Mask Ball.

The tenth annual mask ball, given by the Great Bend band, was attended last Friday night by the usual large numbers, both masked and unmasked. The best of order was preserved, and the merry feet spun round and round in joyous glee to most excellent music. Dancing was kept up in a steady whirl until after 1 o'clock.

The costumes were some of them magnificent, and taking them all together there were more handsome costumes than have ever before been exhibited at a masquerade in this city. The prompting by Messrs. Ed. Hotchkiss and Frank Wilson was plain, and very few hitches occurred in the changes of the dance.

NOTES.

Jeff Loeb was a natural "take off."

Poole says he smelled "furniture polish" whenever A. C. Schermerhorn came around.

Some of the best dancers of the city were so afraid that their dancing would "give them away" that they went lame.

Ed. Marx's overalls were quite becoming; he ought to have kept them on until after unmasking.

The scrap album costume of Miss C. L. was very unique and pretty.

One young lady got up an elegant costume and prepared to attend the ball, but Harry did not come.

The plug hat trick was perpetrated on Mr. Poole in good shape.

CLARENCE JOTTINGS.

Merry X mas, etc.

Blizzard, blizzard, blizzardist!

News is rather scarce this week.

Services were held at the Methodist church Sunday.

Mr. Wilkison took in the sights of the city Saturday.

Mr. W. Duitman was over from Albert one day last week.

Mr. S. Rogers was down to Stafford county recently.

C. Geil has been very dangerously ill, but is now convalescing rapidly.

In my last letter, by mistake, I spoke of Green Cooper as Mr. Green.

Messrs. Meyer and Jurgensen, of Great Bend, were out from town Sunday, breathing the rural air.

A Sulky plow agent is now "doing" Clarence, and if not patronized liberally, his disposition may be a little sulky.

The dance at Charlie Cline's place last week was well attended, and a very enjoyable time was reported to your correspondent.

Mr. Dan'l Bird was recently observed to hold his head a trifle higher, and smile considerably broader than usual. The cause was a fine new boy, of the usual weight.

They were not surveying for a rail road in front of Mr. Reeder's, as we were led to believe. Oh, no! It was only the supervisor trying to locate the middle of the road; that was all.

A very interesting course of debates is now running at school district No. 17. Everybody should attend and hear Mr. Emmet argue that reading is of more educational advantage than traveling, and vice versa by F. C. Seiber. Both gentlemen argue their convictions in a manner that would do credit to Wm. Pitt or Sir Robert Walpole.

BUCKEYE.

After the prayer meeting this Thursday evening, the members of the M. E. Sunday school will hold their annual election.

Go to Tom Ely's
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Testimony of HIRSH WARDEN, Chief Justice of Ga.: "I have used Simmons' Liver Regulator for Constipation of my bowels, caused by a temporary derangement of the Liver, for the last three or four years, and always with decided benefit."

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For some time my Liver has been out of order, and I felt generally good for nothing. I was induced to try Simmons' Liver Regulator. Its action was quick and thorough. It is not unpleasant; it is mild in its action, and is an excellent remedy.
MONROE, IOWA. J. R. HILAND.

Are You Subject to Sick Headache?
I use Simmons' Liver Regulator when troubled seriously with Headaches, caused by Constipation; it produces a favorable result without hindering my regular pursuits in business.
DES MOINES, IOWA. W. W. WITMER.

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I have been subject to severe spells of Constipation of the Liver, and have been in the habit of taking from fifteen to twenty grains of calomel, which generally laid me up for three or four days. Lately I have been taking Simmons' Liver Regulator, which gave me relief without any interruption to business.
MIDDLEPORT, OHIO. J. HUGG.

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LI. ROSY
and consequently incurable. It is impossible to describe her sufferings. Her body from the crown of her head to the soles of her feet was a mass of decay, masses of flesh rotting off and leaving great cavities. Her fingers festered and three or four nails dropped off at one time. Her limbs contracted by the fearful action, and for several years she did not leave her bed. Her weight was reduced from 125 to 60 lbs. Perhaps some faint idea of her condition can be gleaned from the fact that three pounds of Castor Oil or ointment were used per week in dressing her sores. Finally the physicians acknowledged their defeat, and she was abandoned to her Creator.

Her husband hearing wonderful reports of the use of SWERT'S SPECIFIC (S. S. S.), prevailed on her to try it as a last resort. She began its use under protest, but soon found that her system was being relieved of the poison, as the sores around a red and healthy color, as though the blood was becoming pure and active. Mrs. Bailey continued the S. S. S. until last February; every sore was healed; she discarded chair and crutches, and was for the first time in twelve years a well woman. Her husband, Mr. C. A. Bailey, is in business at 174 Broadway Street, Boston, and will take pleasure in giving the details of this wonderful cure. Send to us for Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases, mailed free.


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